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HISTORIC LAND CONSERVATION AND YOUTH INVESTMENT FOUNDATION TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING IN BASS LAKE AREA

Foster City, CA — Pacific Forest and Watershed Lands Stewardship Council (Stewardship Council) announced today it will hold a public meeting in Bass Lake on June 2, 2005. The meeting will seek input from the local community on the conservation of more than 140,000 acres of PG&E watershed lands.

"The Stewardship Council looks forward to holding this meeting in the vicinity of the watershed lands where the core of our mission resides," said Mike Chrisman, Secretary for Resources and President of the Stewardship Council Board of Directors. "We are excited to hear from the residents of Bass Lake, North Fork, and the surrounding communities."

Members of the public are encouraged to attend as the Stewardship Council Board of Directors reviews reports and recommendations from its Youth Investment, Watershed Planning, Fiduciary, Audit, and Staffing committees. A public comment period will follow an update from the Executive Director on the Council's progress and its goals for the upcoming period. The Board will also attend a field trip on June 1 to visit the lands. Members of the public are welcome.

The Stewardship Council was established to develop and implement a plan for the protection of 140,000 aces of PG&E's Sierra Nevada and Cascade Mountain Watershed lands and Carizzo Plains for the benefit of current and future generations of Californians. The Council will also administer a fund to acquire and maintain urban parks and recreation areas, and provide outdoor education and recreation opportunities for youth from urban areas. Please visit www.stewardshipcouncil.org for more information about the Council.

WHO: The Public

WHAT: Public Board Meeting

WHEN June 2, 2005

TIME: 9:00am to 12:00pm

WHERE: The Pines Resort, Bass Lake http://www.basslake.com/map.html

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